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Report of Significant Activities in the Geographic Research | real During the Absence of the AD/BR

- 1. CIA/RR GR 59-9, "Estimate of Flood Loss Resulting from the Destruction of the High Aswan Dam", was well received, according to reports from the offices of the DD/I and the DCI. Upon instruction from the DD/I, copies were forwarded to the AD/CI and the DD/P.
- 2. In connection with the reconsideration of the CRR Mr Plan and the War Planning Inventory, Chief/G contacted Col. Diercis, the Commending Officer of AMS. The purpose of the meeting was to coordinate emergency plans, to establish points of contact, and to make specific arrangements for an interchange of materials, service and support during a wartime emergency. A Memorandum for the Record dated 22 April 1959 was prepared on this subject, and a copy was furnished to DAD/RR.

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- 4. The intensified program to procure Soviet and Satellite topographic maps or information concerning them has involved several developments of which you should be aware:
 - a. One is the attempt to provide full coverage of the mapping conference being held in the northern part of Crechc-slovakia. Through CO, we have developed financial support for a professor to deviate from his European schedule for one week X1A5a1 to attend the conference and to report fully on it upon his 25X1A5a1 25x1A5a1 are also attempting to get the Geographic Attache in Bonn, Dean Rugg, to attend. In addition, it is conceivable that

who will be in the area, may be invited to attend the conference.

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In addition to the above of about his furth us with information and possibly a be used by In his convers developed at a meeting with and syself. This activity has been elements of the ID/P. 25X1A9a, has now been cleared be and will be "led by the hand into the same of utilizing Special Into they are at least aware of the potential development of information leading to topographic maps.	age. The plan 10f6atts age. The plan 10f6atts sation with which are fully coordinated wind for SI, and it is 25 al", so to speak, by alligence. It is impossible of this source	25X1A9a
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7. It looks as though we will get for the sumer. This results from an a the President of the University on the	t a graduate graduate arrangement between the	DCI and

- for the summer. This results from an arrangement between the DCI and the President of the University on the occasion of a speech given by the DCI and a proposal by the president for CIA to use some of best people. The graduate student will work on the 25X1A9a Navish project. We have submitted a brief paragraph concerning the project, as well as a detailed outline, for utilization by of Personnel in describing the work to the Princeton student.
 - 8. I signed off on a memorantum on 29 May 1999 transmitting the trial country study on Labanon to the Department of the Army. As you may remember, this study was requested by the Special Forces School at Fort Bragg.
 - 9. We have completed and passed on through St/PB/DC the GRA contribution to SMIE 11-7-59, "Probable Soviet Position at a Conference on Anteretica".



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10. On 19 May, just two weeks after I showed Fitness Report, I had a lengthy discussion with him concerning his future in the Geographic Area, with emphasis on the proper utilization of his espabilities. The scope of the conversation has been reported in a Memorandum for the Record of 20 May 1959, which I have in my office and will make available to you upon request. I pointed out that I felt the time had come to fame up to the realization that continued efforts on part were going to fall far short of the standards which have been set for Division Chief work in this Area and that he could not give dynamic leadership or provide for adequate communication within his Division. It was agreed that would relinquish his position as Division Chief and take 25X1A9a over a position as Chief of one of the branches. This move would be made to get him closer to research, that being his main interest and - was and 5X1A9a strongest capability. It was suggested that if

that there would be no pressure brought upon to relinquish this job as Branch Chief, unless reduced advice indicates the desirable of the Surope Branch. It was agreed, however 25X1A9a that there would be no pressure brought upon to relinquish his job as Branch Chief, unless redical advice indicates the desirability of such a move.

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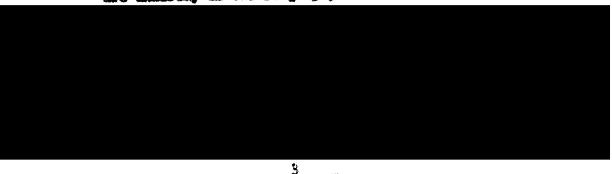
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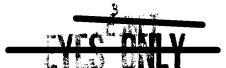
In a discussion on 2 June with I proposed several other alternatives for his placement in the Division -- any one of which; if selected as the course of action, would require your approval prior to implementation. The alternatives are as follows:

that continent from the present Hear East/Africa Branch.
The remaining areal responsibility of the new Mear Start
Branch would be suggested by a transfer of responsibility X1A9a
for India and Pakistan from the Far East Branch.
would be given responsibility for the new Africa Branch and
several people would be assigned to assist him.

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b. The creation of an Urban Studies Branch to take care of the increasing amount of urban area plans and studies that are underway in the Geography Division.





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Asia Committee had its organizational meeting on 26 May and agreed that there was real interest in continuation of the group. Among other things, they decided to call themselves the "Southeast Asia Other things, they decided to call themselves the "Southeast Asia Other things, and one member indicated a desire to have the group discuss pending CIA papers prepared for CCB on Indonesis before the CIA representative discusses the matter with other agencies. I refer you to a memorandum reporting on the organizational meeting of the group dated 29 May 1959, a copy of which has been sent to your attention.

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